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The reply filed on 03/20/08 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s): In the page 4, Paragraph 8 of the office action on 11/19/07, examiner explained Suzuki taught the transmission control for controlling transmission of trouble data including the trouble count value (management data, see col.4, lines 1-25 for the number of paper jamming for purpose of management) to the information processing apparatus *via the network* (col.1, lines 53-68, see the collected data supplied to the host in col.9, lines 16-42, see col.4, lines 1-25, col.5, lines 1-see col.4, lines 1-25 for the number of paper jamming, see copy machine as recording apparatus in col.1, lines 12- 22 for background teaching). It also included reason of obviousness, However, in applicant's response, although applicant stated that Suzuki taught status data may be transmitted, and that Suzuki lacks suggestion of the second trouble counting means, the determination means, the transmission control means; and the initialization means of Claim 138, no specific discussions of network can be found in applicant's remark (see claim limitation via network in claim 138). Examiner understands that the second trouble counting means is a newly amended feature. However, the network limitation has been unchanged in the claim, and Suzuki did show network connection by disclosing the host as already cited to the applicant in the previous office action. Applicant is suggested to respond to the network feature taught by Suzuki in next response. See 37 CFR 1.111. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be *bona fide*, applicant is given ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Dan Pan whose telephone number is 571 272 4172. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F from 8:30 AM to 4:00 PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Chan, can be reached on 571 272 4162. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703 306 5404.

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